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Weather Indications.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 5.—For Kansas: Tonight and Saturday fair, warmer, southeast winds.

"K. K." KLU KLUX, used to excite terror. It now excites the risibiles as Kar-nival King.

A loyal Ohioan at Hutchinson had a half bushel of buckeyes shipped from his old home and distributed them among the Buckeyes to wear on McKinley day.

An insect has been doing business up in Doniphan county, that can put its stinger clear through the bark of a tree and into the wood a little. And the small boys who aren't a bit afraid to throw a rock into a hornet's nest would run a mile to get out of its way.

The Wichita Daily News in its effort to exculpate Governor Lewelling in the Pete Kline matter says: "Even Christ was crucified between two thieves." This bold and uncompromising reference to Fred Close and Attorney General Little is more than we would expect from a Populist paper.

A Populist reader of this paper objects to the STATE JOURNAL's estimate of 12,000 people on capital square to hear Mr. McKinley, says that it is exaggerated and writes us a letter about it. Opinions always differ as to crowds. The great majority of the estimates however placed the number at about 12,000. That this was not a partisan figure is indicated by the fact that Chairman Breidenthal of the Populist state central committee, put the number gathered to hear McKinley, at 15,000.

The Farmers' National congress yesterday at its session in Blennerhassett Island in the Ohio river near Parkersburg, West Virginia, considered one resolution favoring Sunday rest for railroad employees. Another resolution favored a law to compel railroad companies to carry live stock through to destination without stops of more than an hour. Does this mean a Sunday rest of an hour for railroad men operating cattle trains which start the latter part of the week and require several days to reach destination?

SILVER AS THE ISSUE.

The people of Kansas have not forgotten their trusted leader, Senator Preston B. Plumb, neither have they wandered far from the ideas for which he stood. Though he is departed, the principles which he advocated are as dear to Kansas people as they ever were. The politicians may forget or wander off after false gods, but not the masses. Senator Plumb's position on the silver question is as heartily endorsed today as it was June 14th, 1890, when he offered the following amendment to the silver act of that year, which provided for the free coinage of silver, and the restoration of its legal tender character, and was adopted by the senate, by 42 yeas to 25 nays. The bill was as follows:

"That from and after the date and passage of this act the unit value in the United States shall be the dollar, and the same may be coined of 412½ grains of standard silver, or of 23½ grains of standard gold; and the said coins shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private. That hereafter any owner of silver or gold bullion may deposit the same at any mint of the United States to be formed into standard dollars or bars for his benefit and without charge, but it shall be lawful to refuse any deposit of less value than \$100 or any bullion so base as to be unsuitable for the operation of the mint.

"Sec. 2. That the provision of section 3 of 'an act to authorize the coinage of the standard silver dollar and to restore its legal tender character,' which became a law February 28, 1878, is hereby made applicable to the coinage in this act provided for."

But the congress wouldn't have it that way and we are undergoing the consequences of that summer's legislation today. If Senator Plumb could have had his way there would have been no panic of 1893, and probably no Democratic administration. The party that restores silver to its rightful place in the coinage of the country will enter upon a long lease of power.

Will the Republicans see their opportunity and make this their main issue.

Even so great a believer in the tariff as the great issue in this country as Governor McKinley intimated in his speech at Findlay, Ohio, a few days ago, that further agitation of the tariff question might be deferred, when he said:

"If it be true that a revival of business and general prosperity are to follow the passage of the new law, as is claimed by our political adversaries, and which we hope may be fully realized, then why should they interfere with the glad prospects by still further changes in tariff schedules or renewed agitation on the subject."

Then turning his attention to silver, Governor McKinley added:

"The Democratic party has been in control of every branch of the government since the 4th day of March, 1893. Its legislative branch has been in session more than twelve months, yet it has given us no silver legislation whatever, except to strike down the Sherman law at its special session, called for that purpose, and in response to the urgent re-

commendation of a Democratic president. "Having disposed of the Republican make-shift, as they denominated the Sherman law, they were going to give silver an honorable place in the coinage of the country. Nothing has been heard of this issue since. Nothing will be heard of it in the present congress.

"Nothing can come of it so long as Mr. Cleveland is president of the United States, for it is well understood that he will veto any free coinage bill, yet the Ohio Democratic convention went through the idle ceremony of declaring for the free and unlimited coinage of silver at a ratio of 16 to 1 (not, however, without serious opposition from 359 delegates,) knowing that it meant nothing and could mean nothing, and that it binds nobody at all, not even the delegates present.

"Senator Bruce at the head of the Ohio Democracy himself in attendance upon the convention, made swift to denounce that plank in the platform, after he had crossed the Ohio line and openly announced that he is not bound by it unless he can be permitted to construe it as he pleases. It is mere pretense. It is an attempt to raise a false issue. It is another effort at deception. The day when Democratic promises avail have gone by. The period of their fulfillment is at hand. The Democratic congress can no longer offer the excuse that the Republican party stands in the way.

"Nothing can stand in the way of the Democratic party executing the will of that party. But free and unlimited coinage of silver is not the crystallized will of the Democratic party, and it will not be. The party that has struck silver down and given it the sneer it now has, cannot be relied upon to give that metal honorable treatment."

KANSAS PARAGRAPHS.

Father Keareful of Hutchinson should keep a sharp lookout for his doer. The tariff season has begun at Mayetta, and an era of clean hands is thus ushered in.

There is still so much smallpox at Leavenworth that the people don't want anything said about it.

Troy Chief: A man in Madison, Kansas, committed suicide because he could not get work, leaving a wife and six children to get work or starve.

During the summer ten brick business blocks have been erected on the city square at Holton, in spite of the stringency in the money market.

A temperance evangelist will visit Lawrence soon and is expected to inculcate the K. U. students against this winter's state oratorical contest.

It is said there were seventy-five applicants for the school at Branner, Jackson county. When people can't do anything else, they apply for schools.

The Beacon says the chiefs of police were pleased with Wichita because there was no "sneaking" for drinks. Wichita knows how to please—policemen.

According to the Republican, Salina has a Sans Souci club, so it seems there is one place where "Washington Post" and "High School Cadets" are barred.

A young colored man died at Troy the other day, who was said to be the strongest man in the county. What is the matter with Cy Leland, who can carry the county?

A horse thief who stole a horse last September has been placed in jail at Westmoreland. Had he waited till now

he might have got off with the charge of petty larceny.

Another man who used to live in Wichita has fallen heir to a fortune. Reasoning from a large number of instances the luckiest thing a man can do is to leave Wichita.

Summer county teachers will discuss the question, "Should policy be used in teaching?" That is, if the boy is twice as big as you are, should you "lick" him. The affirmative has a strong case.

A man was fined \$10 at Leavenworth for stealing a box of locally manufactured cigars. The judge doesn't believe in capital punishment or he would have sentenced him to smoke them.

There is a preacher's son in Lawrence who took more interest in the late horse races than anybody else in town. This is a godsend. If it had been just an ordinary boy the dear mothers in Israel wouldn't have had anything to talk about.

JAPANESE MOTHERS.

They Don't Pray That Their Sons May Be Spared, But That Japan May Win.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—Fumihira Siyas, a Japanese artist, had been spending several months in the interior, when the government issued a call for troops.

"At the place where I was stopping the troops had to march twenty miles to Hiroshima," said he, "from which place they were to be conveyed in vessels to Korea. There were no road leave-takings. Poor farmers, too poor to pay their way, ran after the army twenty miles to cheer them on to victory. The whole country went wild at the prospect of war, and danger to life and limb was the last thing that the father and mother thought of in bidding their sons good bye.

"Mothers are not praying in Japan today that their sons may be spared. They gather in the places of worship and pray, but their prayers are offered up that Japan might win.

"Japan has the sympathy of the entire foreign population of the Orient, except the English. English sentiment, as far as I have been able to observe, is with the Chinese. In Yokohama a few weeks ago a wealthy English merchant made a wager with a French resident that the important engagement would result in a victory for the Chinese. He bet \$20,000 against \$4,000, and the odds were so great that it was the talk of the country. The battle of the Ping Yang decided the wager. The Englishman lost his \$20,000.

"I notice that the American papers have been indulging in a great deal of speculation on the probable fate of thousands of Chinese soldiers who are made captives at that battle. Let me say that they will be treated most cordially. That is the outlined policy of the Japanese government. They are prisoners of war, by this will not be submitted to the barbarities and cruelties which have been heaped upon my countrymen by the Chinese.

"The Japanese government does not want to be hard on the Chinese any more than it wants to be hard on the people of Korea. As evidence of the great consideration which Japan wants to show the people of Korea, the Japanese army is not foraging on the poor Korean farmers. All supplies for the Japanese army in Korea are being sent from Japan."

The first oyster supper of the season tonight at 1004 north Kansas avenue.

AT THE THEATERS.

"By Wits Outwitted" at the Grand—"Devil's Auction" coming.

Tonight at the Grand the Honorary Le Roy musical comedy company will begin a two night stand in "By Wits Outwitted," a musical comedy that has had a run in the east which was very successful. The papers, wherever this piece has been given by this company, speak in high terms of the performance. There is no star with the company, but it is said that each of the members is well capable of sustaining his or her part as well as necessary. The plot is a good one, though it is simple, and the play is full of bright dialogue and pretty music. The object of the piece is simply to amuse.

Tomorrow night the same company will present "Squabbles," which is on the same order as the piece tonight.

Those who have seen it every year will be pleased to know that Charles H. Yale's "Newest Devil's Auction" will be at the Grand opera house next Wednesday evening, Oct. 10. It is a favorite spectacle which has always been accorded a large business in this city. The management promises so many changes that this season it will seem a brand new spectacle. Sixty people will be employed, including a ballet corps of twenty dancers, led by Miles, Chilton, Bartlett and Amors, while the specialty features will include Los Freres Caron, the Coo-Moo troupe, and the Lorella tria. The ballet will include "The Boulevard," "The Queen of the Ballet," "The Dance of the Fools," "On the Ballo," and a new divertissement which will introduce the Midget Dancers, of which much is expected. A burlesque travesty on the trolley car, showing its trials and tribulations, is one of the few features which in this city will surely be appreciated.

The next attraction at the Grand will be "The Hustler," a rich comedy that has had a good run in the east and been well received in the west.

"Paul Kaurar" will also be at the Grand some time during the month.

"The Silver King" Tonight. At the Topeka theater tonight Browne's Dramatic company will present that sterling old play, "The Silver King." This company of sixteen people seems to be pleasing its audiences at the theater this week. "The Runaway Wife" was presented to a fair audience last night and gave good satisfaction. The company will close its engagement tomorrow night. There will be a matinee tomorrow afternoon.

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LEAD FOR BULLETS.

A Steamer Bound for Japan Takes a Large Cargo of Lead.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 5.—A portion of the freight on the steamship Rio de Janeiro which sailed for Yokohama and Hong Kong, was 200 tons of pig lead, consigned to Japan. It is supposed that this lead is to be used in the manufacture of cartridges.

It is the largest shipment of lead ever made to the orient from this port. The steamer also carried a big cargo of flour for Japan and China and 200 tons of wheat for China. This is the first whole wheat ever shipped to China as it usually goes in the shape of flour.

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